

SOCIALS

Pvt. Edward Neil Larson had a six day leave and visited his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Frank J. Rodenborn, Pvt. Larson has finished basic training at Fort Jackson and is beginning leadership school. After that he will enter officer candidate school and be stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Mrs. B. S. Franklin is home for a while after visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. J. Cureton in Greenville.

Mrs. Lydia Chappell has had as her guest her aunt, Mrs. Gloria Francis.

The Methodist Churches of the Southeast District had a meeting at the Elba Methodist Church Saturday, Sept. 15. The committee officers of the sub-district met, had lunch together, and planned programs for the coming months. Those present were Miss Frances Hastings, Jack Reeves, Milton O'Neil-Andalusia, Miss Nell B. Wain, Rev. & Mrs. Rice-Near Brocken, and Miss Martha Vaughan and Glen, Elba.

Major D. S. Bryan attended the Service Officers' annual conference at Huntsville, last week.

Stokes Haire and daughter, Sara Priest, spent Thursday in Montgomery.

Mr. & Mrs. Leroy C. Miller announce the birth of a boy born Sept. 12. They have named him Leroy C. Miller Jr.

Mrs. Dallas Cauley and girls of Troy visited her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Tess Varnadore last week.

NOTICE

Pick Up and Delivery Discontinued

Due to the increased cost of cleaning—increased cost of trucks, tires, etc., and also the shortage of labor, we are forced to stop our pick-up and delivery service beginning Monday, October 1. No trucks will pick-up or deliver after Saturday, Sept. 29.

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: Luke 12:49-53
DEVOTIONAL READING: Isaiah 2:1-4

World Citizens

Lesson for September 23, 1951

DO YOU belong to the human race? It isn't as large as you might think.

Hendrik Willem Van Loon once figured out that you could make one mile deep, and half a mile wide, and then you could put into it every man, woman and child in the entire world.

With the human race no bigger than that, isn't it stupid of us not to get together? If you ever read Mark Twain's fascinating tale, "Captain Stormfield's Visit to Heaven," you will remember how that mariner got lost on his way to heaven and arrived at the wrong gate. Since no one at the gate had ever heard of "the earth," the captain finally identified himself as "one from the Solar System."

Still no one had heard of "the earth," so the captain was considerably taken down when he learned how small the earth is in the immensity of the universe; and so might we all be.

Passengers on the Same Planet
THE EYES of God and his angels, this earth and the people on it do not fill the big place they fill in the eyes of its mortals. This does not mean that we are unimportant to ourselves, or of no concern to God.

Saint Paul gave us the Christian reason—always the best reason—why human beings ought to realize how close together we really are. Speaking to the university crowd at Athens, he quoted from a Greek poet to prove his point: "We belong to Him, race." (Acts 17:28, Moffatt's translation.)

God made all peoples "from a common origin." In him we live and move and have our being. Remember that Paul was not speaking in a Christian church. Of course Christians are brothers in an even warmer and more loving sense; but Paul could say, even to men who were not Christians as he was, that they were alike offspring of God, that they all had their being in the same Creator and Father.

The Importance of Being Human
WE would only just step into the shoes of the little people we call them "foreigners" or "farmers" or "Caucasians" or "negroes" or "Chinese." So they are; but the most important fact about Chinese or Japanese, or Germans, or other class of mankind, is that they are human beings.

When we have in common, as human beings, is infinitely more important than the variations which set us off into different races, languages and groups. The Christian will be a loyal citizen of his own land; but he will also remember that he is a world-citizen too. And as a world-citizen, he will always remember certain truths about all his fellow human beings.

One is that since we all have a common humanity, we all stand in need of God. It is not man's exaggeration, if he says that to be human is to be helpless.

Scholars write books with titles like "The Human Predicament," which is a short way of saying that if you are human you are in a mess. You need God, whoever you are. But if you know that, then also remember that all other members of the human race need him too, quite as much as you do.

Our Lost Brothers
REMEMBER, too, that while all are summoned to the same destiny (as Paul said: "God commands all men to repent"; just some of them), many and many a man (must we say, alas, most men) misses that destiny.

There is a broad road leading to destruction, Jesus said, and many are traveling that road. How can a Christian be indifferent about a thing like that? Every man on the dark road is a man who might be a Christian.

From the dead-end road of selfishness, hatred and pride he might come over to the highway of God. If some one took the trouble to go after him. But we shall not bother ourselves much, we shall not bother ourselves enough, about our lost brothers, unless we have the world-citizen's eye and the world-Christian's heart.

Christians may pray for God's blessing on the work of the Churches of Christ of the United States of America, founded by W. N. P. (1901).

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THOMPSON—PITTMAN WED

Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Thompson announced the marriage of John Thompson, son of Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Thompson, to Miss Pitman, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Thompson, at the wedding which took place Sept. 15 in Pensacola.

Mr. & Mrs. T. W. Parker had as their guests this past week-end, Mrs. O. D. Kennedy and Dec Jr. from Ft. Jackson, S. C.

Mr. & Mrs. S. D. Boswell and children, Elsie and Jimmy, Mr. & Mrs. Wade C. Mallory and children, Billy and Ella Doris, visited relatives in Auburn recently.

A party was given in honor of Susan Larkins on her fourth birthday, Friday, Sept. 14 by her mother, Mrs. H. B. Larkins.

Those who visited Mr. & Mrs. S. D. Boswell Friday were Mrs. Ralph Bragg, Mrs. Sam C. Boswell and children, Mrs. Eula Par-is and daughters, Mr. & Mrs. A. Kelley and daughter and Mr. & Mrs. Buster Kelley.

Mr. & Mrs. William Mallory of Montgomery visited relatives in Elba during the week-end.

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Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Kelly and children of Norfolk, Va. visited his parents, Mr. & Mrs. D. P. Kelly and his mother, Mrs. Eula Tushingham and other relatives and friends last week.

Mr. & Mrs. L. F. Dismukes and daughters, Totsy, Louie Gwynn and Tulsa, visited Mrs. Dismukes' brother, Doc Wilson, in Americus, Ga. Sunday.

Lonnie Spurlin of Basin community is visiting in the home of his brother, Willie Spurlin in Elba. He would appreciate his friends calling on him during his visit.

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Jacobs, Mr. & Mrs. Buford Cook and Latane, were among those from Elba who attended the all-night sing in Andalusia Saturday night.

Mr. & Mrs. James L. Barbaree and baby formerly of Troy have moved into the Bailey house on Smith Ave. They plan to reside in Elba as Mr. Barbaree has accepted a position with L. L. English in his store.

Mrs. Frank Blair returned last week from a visit with Mr. & Mrs. Carl Kelley of Gastonia, N. C.

Cpl. & Mrs. Sammie Parris of Ft. Jackson, S. C. spent the weekend at home visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. C. D. Gray of Geneva spent the weekend with Mr. & Mrs. L. E. Watson and family.

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Ham and Mrs. D. C. Barnard visited Dr. D. B. Blue and Mrs. J. P. Blue in Besen last week.

Mrs. Bun Pinckard of Samson was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Will Brunson the past week.

Rev. J. E. Plant and his son Sammie Plant carried Lummie's daughter, Jeannette, to Atlanta Friday to have plastic surgery performed on her throat. Rev. Plant returned Tuesday and said Jeannette was doing nicely. She and her father are expected to return this weekend.

Mr. & Mrs. C. N. Walker of Thomaston, Ga. visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Thomason Sunday. Mr. C. N. Thomason's mother, Mrs. M. C. Thomason, who has been making her home here for several months, accompanied the Walkers back to Thomaston for a visit.

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RIGGED VACATION HAD EVERYTHING BUT HERNARD

Between the time Marie Windsor finished "Hillbilly" at Republic and went into "The Fighting Kentuckian" at the same studio, she spent a pretty strenuous vacation at her home in Utah.

With the temperature at 22 below, she participated in her father's own "Operation Vittles"—carrying food to the starving cattle on the range.

The snow was too deep for cars to penetrate, so the food was dragged in by horses and sleds.

Marie portrays a scarlet lady in "The Fighting Kentuckian" which will open Sunday at the Elba Theater. The film was produced by John Wayne, who also stars, along with Vera Ralston.

George Wagner directed from his own original story dealing with the adventures of a gallant group of French noblemen banished to America after the defeat of Napoleon's armies.

Samuel D. Boswell Jr., who is a student of the Alabama School for Blind at Talladea, has resumed his studies after spending the summer months at the home of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. S. D. Boswell, Sr.

Elba Theatre

Program Sept. 21 - 28

Fri., Double Feature SATURDAY

Double Feature

Flames of Stamboul

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Comedy

LEGAL NOTICES

In the matter of the estate of Lucy Larkins, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a decree of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, in the above styled cause, duly made and entered on the 30th day of August, 1951, the undersigned Executor will offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash in front of the Courtroom door at Elba, Alabama, on Saturday, September 22, 1951, the following described real estate:
Two houses and lots located on the West side of Adkinson Street in the City of Elba, Alabama, better described as follows:
Beginning at a point on the West margin of Adkinson Street 100 feet Northward from the intersection of said Adkinson Street and Newton Street said point of beginning being the Northeast Corner of the lot now occupied by Frances Daniels; thence Eastward 205 feet along the North line of the Toy Dyess homestead property to the point of beginning, together with the house and all other improvements thereon.
The first day of September, 1951.
Lucy Larkins, deceased.
Sept. 6-20

Frank Peacock, as Executor of Lucy Larkins, deceased.
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"Land Posted" signs for sale, 5 each, 50c doz. at The Clipper was a weekend sign of her mother, sister and uncle, Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Redmon and Mr. & Mrs. Lester Redmon and daughter, Nollie Jo, of Columbus, Ga., were here during the week-end to attend the funeral of her father, Robb Redmon.

Mr. & Mrs. T. A. Stephens and families and Mrs. Grover Morrow and children of Laurel Hill, Fla. were Sunday guests of Mr. & Mrs. M. D. Rigby. Mrs. Stephens stayed to spend a longer week.

The regular monthly meeting of the Community Council was not held Monday night, but will be next Monday night, Sept. 24. One of the editors of the Progressive Farmer is expected to be the guest speaker.

Mr. & Mrs. J. V. Smith (Kathleen Perry) of Macon, Ga., spent the weekend with Mr. & Mrs. B. L. Perry.

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Mr. William Willis of Pensacola, Fla. also spent the day with Mrs. Willis.

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News From Kinston

(By Mrs. Rayford Stephens)

Pvt. Hathan Pierce of Camp Gordon, Ga., arrived here last Friday to spend a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. John Pierce.

Mrs. Jessie Sellers to Mobile spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Sara Williams.

Friends of Mrs. Judge Brannon will be interested in learning that she is recovering in the Mizzell Memorial Hospital following a major operation.

Rev. & Mrs. C. J. Morris made a business trip to Mobile last week.

Pic. Dean Pierce of Maxwell Field, Ala., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. B. Pierce.

Mrs. Ben Woodham of Florida was a weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. E. W. Woodham.

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In the matter of the estate of Audie J. Ward, a person of sound mind, Mrs. Lena E. Ward, guardian.
All persons are hereby notified that Mrs. Lena E. Ward, Guardian of Audie J. Ward, has filed petition for final settlement as such guardian and same has been set for hearing at Elba, Alabama, on September 22, 1951 at ten A. M. All persons interested in contesting or objecting to said settlement may appear at that time and file such contest or objections as they see fit and proper.
The 24th day of August, 1951.
J. O. English, Judge of Probate

The State of Alabama, Coffee County, in Circuit Court of Equity, Elba Division

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Mr. & Mrs. H. H. Hudson and —Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Kidd and daughter, Charlie Merle, were daughter of Weedsville were the guests of Mrs. Essie Grimes of J. T. Mayberry last Thursday. Westview last Friday night.

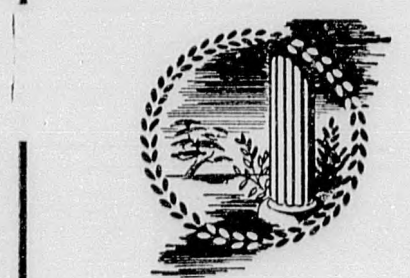
—German Bass has returned —Otha Mayberry and Donald to his home at Dorcas, Fla., after attending the football game in Elba Thursday night. Mrs. Lena Hudson and family.

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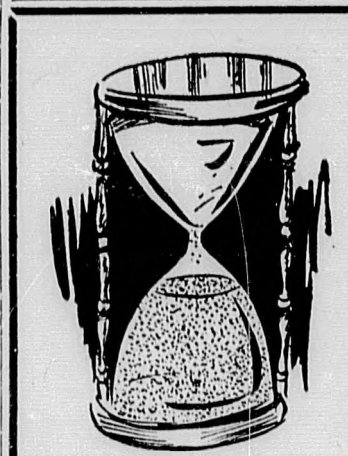
Bells Crossing

By Mrs. J. A. Hudson

Alfred and Hubert Hudson, Mrs. J. T. Hudson is still ill in bed. Cecil Kidd and Junior Goolsby were calling in Elba last Friday. —Dan Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Smith and children of Antioch, called on Mr. & Mrs. Edd Mayberry last Tuesday. —James R. King spent last weekend with his daughter, Mrs. John King of Phenix City.

—Pfc. Edward Mayberry returned to Walter Reed, Washington, D. C. last Tuesday after spending a ten day furlough at home with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. T. A. Mayberry of Phenix City. He was accompanied by his friend, Miss Betty Dillor of Washington, D. C. who visited the Mayberrys.

Mr. & Mrs. Grady Chandler and daughter of Opp were guests of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. W. Chandler last Sunday. —Mrs. Cora Cauley and Mrs. Inez Chavez and children of Auburn were weekend visitors of Mr. & Mrs. H. H. Hudson. —Among those who called on Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Hudson last Sunday were Mr. & Mrs. Moss Hudson and daughter of Mount Gilead; Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Kidd, Weedsville, Perry Hudson and son, Horace of Valley Grove; Mr. & Mrs. David Hudson and Ruth of Elba, Rt. 2 and Mrs. J. A. Hudson.



We Understand
There are few times in this life when understanding is so important as when a loved one has passed on. We understand and sympathize. When the need arises, let us handle all arrangements with dignity and reverence.

Southern Funeral Homes
Opp 29 Phone 276 Elba

THE ELBA CLIPPER, ELBA, ALABAMA

Thursday, September 29, 1951

CHAPTER XVII

He lined his sights deliberately on the foremost rider and squeezed the trigger. The man went down in a rolling tangle of arms and legs, but Frazer knew that his targets were getting uncomfortably large. The realization made the next clean hit a matter of no pleasure whatever. He fired twice more, getting a bandit with each bullet, but as he leveled a fifth shell he caught a glimpse of Rafferty coming over the razed parapet. The dirty . . . Leaving Helen to come up last!

For a split second he was tempted to desert his post and rush for the rope, but reason caught up with him in time. He forced himself to sight carefully in spite of the anger that had welled up within him. Another shot and another fallen outlaw. He was keeping account of shots at a time like this. Better out than in. Mrs. J. T. Hudson last Wednesday night.

—Sammy Hudson was a brief visitor at Dorcas, Fla. last Saturday. —Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Hudson of Elba, Rt. 2, were calling here last Saturday night while en route home from Mobile. They had been visiting "The Infirmary" and found their son was able to make the trip home. He is walking now.

—W. O. Johnson attended the stock sale at Opp last Wednesday.

—Misses Ann Johnson, Vivian King and Jean Chandler were guests of Misses Jimmy and Ruby Lassiter last Sunday.

—Alfred and Hazel Hudson called on Mr. & Mrs. P. O. King of Luverne last Thursday.

—Mrs. Andrew Jones, Miss Alice May Hudson, Mrs. Thomas Hudson and Mrs. Roy Duvernay were shopping in Opp last Saturday.

—Willie Frank Mayberry is home from Veterans Hospital in Montgomery following confinement for a broken ankle.

—Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Hudson and children of Dozier, Rt. 1, and Mrs. Laura Hemmett called on Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Hudson last Thursday.

—Mr. & Mrs. Claude Kendrick have moved to Phenix City. —E. R. Goolsby, Sr. of Mt. Gilead called on his son, E. R. Goolsby, Jr. last Saturday.

—Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Hudson had as their guest last Sunday, Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Kidd of Weedsville. Mr. & Mrs. T. A. Mayberry and son, Russell Clark and Dozier, Miss Frances Hudson of Opp, Mrs. Cora Cauley of Auburn and Mr. & Mrs. Edd Mayberry.

The flag bearer pulled aside and one of the other men stepped forward. He was a big man, and Frazer knew him in spite of the huge sombrero which almost hid his face. Emil Krantz, soldier of fortune, had appeared in his proper niche at last.

The big German did not try to disguise his voice. "Hello," he yelled boldly. "Who is in charge here?" Rafferty stood up, his rifle held ready. "What d'ye want now?" he yelled. "Come a step nearer and I'm going to forget about that dirty scrub rag you've got."

"Don't be foolish, my friend. I offer you good terms. Leave this valley, and we permit you to go in safety."

"No dice." "Think again. We far outnumber you. You cannot hope to win."

Rafferty's reply was a single word. "No." "I offer you a half hour," Krantz shouted persistently. "If you leave within that time you will not be responsible for the tempers of these men. Already they have killed a man. If you don't get out of here now, something worse will happen to every pulp of the trigger."

The movement gave him a chance to see what was happening behind him. Rafferty and Wenslow were hauling the rope up. So that was it! The mine guard had been saving the mine for a last ditch effort. He had come up first so he could help haul the girl out of danger.

Emil Krantz Appears Among the Attackers
The rifle fire was a steady crackle and the charge had spent itself. The raiders had dashed in, taking their losses, only to find themselves backed of their prey and subjected to a withering fire from the guns on the ledge. Meanwhile the dismounted riflemen were too far away to be effective and the mounted bandits were still falling.

The wavering became a halt and the halt became a wild retreat, but still Frazer did not cease firing. It was no time to give an enemy a chance to regroup. He was in the gorge the only thing to do was to cut the odds while the opportunity presented itself. Every dead outlaw was one less threat for the future.

Finally, however, there was no more to be done. The raiders were scattered. Even the dismounted men had caught their horses and drawn away toward the end of the gorge, huddling there while one of their leaders shouted at them.

It was Wenslow who broke the silence which had succeeded the din of battle. "Anybody hurt?" he inquired casually.

"I skinned my knee 'coming up those rocks," Helen replied, her quick assumption of calmness not quite covering the agitation which gripped her.

Everyone laughed. It was a gesture of relief rather than of any real mirth. The first bandit had them all eye better. Frazer caught the girl's face and a look of complete understanding passed between them. She was a little proud of her own coolness under fire and he was nappy to share the pride.

"I reckon we'll have a minute to rest," Rafferty grunted with a satisfied grin. "Mister Bandit Candino just got himself a damned good lesson. Them buckos are kinda like Sioux; they're tough fighters when they kin git the other fellow on the run, but they don't know what to do when the other party turns out to be a standup."

"How many in that mob, Wenslow?" Frazer asked. "What's your guess? A hundred?" "Somewhere in that neighborhood," the little man replied. "We sure picked off a lot of 'em, but there's still too dam' many to suit me."

"Ten minutes passed in uncomfortable silence and then Wenslow reported, 'Four men ridin' toward us. Look like one of 'em is wavin' his shirt-tail.'"

Frazer twisted himself uncomfortably around to look. Four riders were coming up the gulch, one of them bearing a dirty rag fastened to a gun barrel. "Flag of truce," he muttered, half to himself. "This makes us a real army, I suppose."

"They want to remove the wounded, I think," Helen said with determined calm. "Looks like it," Frazer's reply was mechanical, his mind more on what he saw than what the girl was saying. Back of the advancing riders he was able to study the main body of outlaws for the first time. Even at the distance he could tell that a number of them were armed. Those few riflemen who had attempted to cover the first attack seemed to be almost the only bandits with efficient firearms. Many had only pistols—if they had even those—and the remainder carried what looked like many varieties of old muskets.

"Shove out the extra rifles so you'll look like a lot of us up here," he ordered. "When they start to talk move around a bit. If this is going to be a bluffing contest we'll try to hold our end of the game."

Helen said calmly, "I think we may be due for some help. Just after this business started I saw four riders up there to the north. They climbed out of sight on the ridge, and it seemed to me that they might be circling to get behind the bandits."

"Only four?" Frazer asked. "Not enough."

"Four could be the scouts for a large force."

"I hope so—but I don't think we can count on any help today. We've got to worry through the night on our own."

Almost as he spoke there was the spatter of fire from the lower gulch. It brought confusion to the ranks of the Candino men, although it was of short duration. Bandits charged up the slopes of the east ridge and for some minutes there was an occasional shot. Then everything was silent again.

"I don't like it," Frazer said soberly. "I'm afraid some of our friends tried to help us—and they didn't have enough of a force to do themselves or us any good."

Helen's ready, Miss Helen?" as she remarked, "I had an idea that I knew two of the riders I mentioned to you were my father and Ed Delaplaine."

The early hours of darkness brought an overpowering sense of the ledge. They were listening for those ominous sounds which might herald the final battle. At the same time there was silent wonder in each mind on the subject of that brief skirmish down the gorge. Not that any of them felt optimistic. Rather the contrary. No small stack would have been made on Candino's camp if any real forces were on their way. The main fight was still to be fought by three men and a girl against an overwhelming superior force of bandits.

Attackers Rush Again For Mine Shaft Mouth
Presently Rafferty broke the silence to ask abruptly, "Got everything ready, Miss Helen?" "Everything ready," she replied. "You aren't planning any more crazy trips down the rope, are you?"

"Nothing like that," Helen assured him. "You lie quiet and don't irritate that wound any more than is necessary. We'll take care of this matter."

It was nearly midnight before the weary listeners caught the first telltale sound of a careless foot. Instantly there was a rattle of muskets and the ledge at the foot of the gorge was beginning to light the gloom of the gulch as it peaked into view above the hills. The bandits had timed their advance badly, perhaps in the hope that the hours would take their toll of defense alertness.

Frazer kept his attention on the ground at the base of the rock wall, and presently he saw a full dozen shadows moving toward him. Out in the gulch a scrape of a boot heel indicated that other men were advancing there. Apparently the bandits were figuring to reach close quarters and try to overwhelm the defense by sheer force of numbers. Either that or they hoped one force could neutralize the defensive fire while another party raided the arms cache.

Wenslow muttered something but Frazer did not look around, concentrating on the problem of seeing a vague shadow over the sights of a rifle. Presently he thought he had a man lined up, so he pulled the trigger. The shot set off the fireworks.

From all parts of the valley guns opened up as the bandits tried to beat the defenders down under sheer weight of leads. Some of them were close enough to use revolvers now, and they had the flashes of the guns on the ledge as targets.

"Keep as low as you can," Frazer shouted above the din. "They'll fire at the gun flashes. Don't waste a bullet."

No one replied and the eerie battle went on, becoming a sort of ghostly sniping at shadows after that first intense volume of fire. Twice Frazer could see the wild rush of men for the mouth of the mine shaft, but each time the rush was beaten back by a deadly hail of bullets from the ledge. After the second attempt there was a lull and the attackers seemed to withdraw down the gulch.

"Anybody hurt?" Wenslow demanded, still assuming the role of official observer. "I got a nick on one ear, but it ain't more'n a bee sting."

No one also reported a wound, and they settled down to wait once more. This time the wait was not so long. Within a half hour they could hear stealthy movements on the far side of the little valley, and Frazer spoke warningly. "They're sending a detachment up the gulch. That means they must plan to rush in from that side under cover of the next attack. Can you keep your eyes skinned in that direction, Helen?"

"I'll watch them," the girl answered tersely.

Social Activities

Mrs. Hazel Ray, Social Editor
Phone 480

MARRIED

Mr. & Mrs. G. P. Miles announce the marriage of their daughter Elizabeth to Lotue L. Hamm Jr. son of Mr. & Mrs. Louise Hamm, Sr. The marriage took place Wednesday, Sept. 5 at the First Baptist Church in Phenix City. The pastor, Charles H. McKay, performed the ceremony.

After a wedding trip to New Orleans, La. the couple returned to Elba. They will resume their studies at A. P. L. Auburn. Both will be members of the senior class.

ENGAGED

Mr. & Mrs. Sammie D. Boswell announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Eloise to Pfc. Thomas H. "Bully" Olmstead, son of Mr. & Mrs. Dan W. Olmstead of Opp. The wedding is to take place late in December.

WESLEYAN SUBDISTRICT
The Wesleyan sub-district held its regular monthly meeting on Sept. 3. An inspiring program was presented by the Elba M. Y. F. After the program, the president, Wynelle Godwin, took charge of the business session.

The roll was called. Andalusia, Opp, Abertown, New Brockton, Old Tabernacle and Pleasant Ridge.

Mr. & Mrs. Dupree Bragg are the parents of a baby girl. She has been named Diana.

O. C. "Bunch" Smith transacted business in Opp Saturday.

Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Smith spent the weekend with their daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Wilson and girls, Nell, Christine and Sue.

Travis Whitman has returned from a motorcycle trip to Florida. He visited relatives in Miami, Winter Haven, Tampa, Cross City and Pensacola, Fla. and Mobile, Ala.

Rep. Bill Stokes has returned to University, Ala. to continue his studies in law.

Miss Evelyn White, Pfc. William R. Spurlin from Camp Rucker, Mr. & Mrs. Tom Barley from Enterprise, visited in Phenix City and Columbus Sunday.

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Violet Rainer Circle

The Violet Rainer Circle met Monday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Emory Corbett. Mrs. Lamar Rainer, leader of the circle, presided at the business session. The first chapter of the Christian Vocation was given by Mrs. Fred Davis and Mrs. Mabel Brunson sang a duet, "America The Beautiful." Travel throughout the United States was discussed by Mrs. J. C. Fleming. At the conclusion the hostesses served a salad plate with food tea.

JOHN BRYAN WILL PREACH

Pastor Fred L. Davis announced the following services for Sunday at the Elba Methodist church. The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. John William Bryan will bring the message at the evening session. The time has been changed from 7:30 to 7 o'clock. Sunday school at 9:45. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend these services.

Study Club

The Elba Study Club met on Thursday afternoon, Sept. 6, at the home of Mrs. Lamar Rainer with Mrs. Wm. Ringsdorf as the hostess.

After the business session presided over by Mrs. M. A. Owen a program was given. Mrs. Fred Davis and Mrs. Mabel Brunson sang a duet, "America The Beautiful." Travel throughout the United States was discussed by Mrs. J. C. Fleming. At the conclusion the hostesses served a salad plate with food tea.

TOO MANY LITTLE ONES

Rev. J. E. Plant, in talking of the fish pond on his place at Plant City north of Elba, said state fish inspectors told him he did not have enough bass in the pond to keep down the bream.

Rev. Plant said he will have to place more bass in the pond to get rid of the surplus bream.

Get The Clipper Reading Habit

Foy English, proprietor of the Western Auto Assoc. Store, was in Montgomery on business Tuesday.

HAMMS MOVE

Mr. & Mrs. Vaughan Ham have purchased a home at 212 S. Highland Ave. in Dothan and will reside there with their children, Sharon and Jeff.

Mr. & Mrs. Hamm are both graduates of Elba High School. He recently received his M. B. A. degree at Auburn U. He will open an office in Dothan at 132 1-2 Foster St. where he will do income tax, auditing and general accounting work.



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OBITUARIES

SARA FRANCES SMITH
Sara Frances Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith, died Sept. 18 at the home of her parents, Elba, R. 5. She was 13 years old. Measles and complications were given as the cause of death. She was born in Birmingham Dec. 27, 1946.

Survivors, besides the parents, are two sisters, Cornelia Brunace and Johnnie Rosalyn Smith.

Funeral services were held on Sept. 15 at the Assembly of God Church, conducted by Rev. Dan Dubose. Interment in Bluff Springs cemetery, Hayes Funeral Home directing.

"Land Posted" signs for sale, 5c each, 50c doz. at the Clipper

Exemptions...

and those veterans who were discharged on or before Sept. 30, 1945, the exemption can not be granted. To all veterans of World War II discharged from service on or after Oct. 1, 1945, the exemption may be granted for the full license year.

Insofar as the office of the Probate Judge has been informed, no change has been made in the status of World War I veterans exemptions who have a 25 per cent disability.

NAMED JUNIOR

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy C. Miller announced the birth of a son at Enterprise hospital Sept. 12. Mr. Miller said his wife named the little boy Leroy Chester Jr. Their other child is a girl.

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Football Team Whips Brantley in Opener

Behind some good blocking Johnny Milton was returned a punt 55 yards against Brantley last Thursday to provide the Tigers with their one touchdown margin of victory at the Elba high school stadium.

Under the new law, licenses cost \$2.25 for two years instead of \$1.10 as formerly. Applicants pay their money at the probate office, are given a receipt and later receive the license from Montgomery.

COLE, MATTHEW TO FRANCHISE. Lt. Col. Ben Mathis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Mathis, according to a recent letter from Massachusetts, will leave for the European continent in the near future. He expects to go to France.

COLE, MATTHEW TO FRANCHISE. Lt. Col. Ben Mathis made an outstanding record in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He enlisted in September, 1940 and was promoted to the rank of major in the active reserve list since his discharge.

Attends Game. For more than a quarter of a century Dr. W. R. Crook has been a familiar figure on the football field as the Elba Tiger football team. He has served as team physician and has rarely missed a game at home or away.

When Dr. Crook suffered a paralytic stroke on his right side several months ago it was feared he would not be able to attend games this season. It was generally remarked that games would not seem right with Dr. Crook absent.

But his friends did not know Dr. Crook and his love for the game. At kick-off time he was present. He was comfortably stationed inside a car parked as near the playing field as the stands would permit. He was not able to be at his accustomed spot on the bench but he saw the game. The 7-0 Tiger victory over Brantley was highly gratifying to the loyal fan.

MAYOR'S RELATIVES BETTER. Mayor L. P. Mullins returned Saturday from P. H. Fox A. Co. where he was called on account of an auto accident. His sister Mrs. R. M. Mullins and her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas L. Rountree, were seriously injured.

Mrs. Jacobs suffered a broken collar bone. Mrs. Rountree a fractured skull and concussion of the brain. The driver of the car was killed.

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TO FT. JACKSON. Lt. Billy Oggs, who has been spending a few days with his family here, following completion of a six weeks course in the tactical air school at Ft. Sill, Okla., left Tuesday evening for Ft. Jackson, S. C., where he is stationed. Mrs. Oggs and children, Butch and Candace, are returning with Mrs. Oggs' parents, Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Whitman.

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